

Chesham. 28 Aug
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My dear Sir

I am exceedingly obliged
by your kind enquiries, but
surprised at the same time at
your giving a shadow of belief
to any thing in the Morning Post.

I have not the slightest thought
of going to Carlsbad or any
foreign watering place.

It is impossible for anybody
to be on better terms with Lord
Grey and the ministers than I am.

Perhaps what I wrote to you
about asking favours of them has
made you think the contrary,

but the kinder people are to me
the greater is my objection to
ask anything of them, and
knowing the difficulties in which
the Ministers are placed I
cannot bear to add to them.

My lameness will I am afraid
soon subside - it is from
relaxation of the knee joint, the
cure would be a tight bandage
but since blistering the knee a
rash has prevented my putting
that on, and till I can do so
I use my crutches out of precaution
more than necessity. My general
health is better than I ever
knew it, and I am able

to be out from morning to night
in this fine weather.

If however my ^{leucorhea} ~~health~~ should
not be cured by next year
I should certainly be inclined
to retire from my office, for I
think the King ought to be
constantly attended on public
occasions by his Chamberlain,
who also ought to be always
in his place at the House of
Lords to support the ministers.

You have made me write
much more about self than I
like, I fully approve the
kindness of your notices &
am y^r h^o most truly y^rs
Devonshire.

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